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Please amend the claims to read as follows:

Claim 1 (Original): A liquid detergent composition comprising at least 5% by weight of surfactant and an encapsulate comprising greater than 10% by weight of the encapsulate of active material, in a hydrated cross-linked anionic gum matrix.

Claim 2 (Original): A detergent composition according to claim 1, wherein the surfactant is present at a concentration in the range from 5 to 50% by weight.

Claim 3 (Original): A detergent composition according to claim 2, wherein the surfactant is present at a concentration in the range from 10 to 30% by weight.

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Claim 4 (Currently Amended): A detergent composition according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the surfactant is selected from the group consisting of anionic, nonionic, amphoteric ~~and~~ zwitterionic surfactants and mixtures thereof.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): A detergent composition according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein ~~the~~ the active material comprises a fragrance.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): A detergent composition according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the active material is present in an amount up to 60%, ~~preferably in the range from 20 to 40%, and particularly 25 to 30%~~ by weight of the encapsulate.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): A detergent composition according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1, wherein the anionic gum is present in an amount up to 5%, ~~preferably up to 1%~~ by weight of the encapsulate.

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Claim 8. (Currently Amended): A detergent composition according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1 wherein the anionic gum is selected from the group consisting of alginate, carageenan, gellan gum, carboxymethyl cellulose and/or and xanthan gum.

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Claim 9. (Original): A detergent composition according to claim 8, wherein the anionic gum is alginate.

Claim 10. (Original): A liquid detergent composition comprising at least 5% by weight of surfactant and an encapsulate comprising greater than 0.5% by weight of the encapsulate of fragrance, in a hydrated cross-linked anionic gum matrix.

Claim 11. (Original): A laundry liquid comprising at least 5% by weight of surfactant and an encapsulate comprising active material in a hydrated cross-linked anionic gum matrix.

Claim 12. (Original): A laundry liquid according to claim 11, wherein the liquid comprises in the range from 5 to 50% by weight of anionic surfactant.

Claim 13. (Original): A laundry liquid according to claims 11 or 12, wherein the liquid additionally comprises in the range from 5 to 80% by weight of builder.

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Claim 14. (New): A detergent composition according to claim 6 wherein the active material is present in the range of from 20 to 40% by weight of the encapsulate.

Claim 15. (New): A detergent composition according to claim 6, wherein the active material is present in the range of from 25 to 30% by weight of the encapsulate.

Claim 16. (New): A detergent composition according to claim 7, wherein the anionic gum is present in an amount up to 1% by weight of the encapsulate.

Claim 17. (New): A liquid detergent composition comprising from 10 to 30% by weight of surfactant and an encapsulate comprising from 25 to 30% by weight of the encapsulate of active material dispersed in a hydrated cross-linked anionic gum matrix, the

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surfactant being selected anionic, nonionic, amphoteric, zwitterionic surfactants and mixtures thereof, the active material comprises a fragrance, the anionic gum is present in an amount of up to 1% by weight of the encapsulate and is selected from the group consisting of alginate, carageenan, gellan gum, carboxymethyl cellulose and xanthan gum.

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